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5                   **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

6       As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

7       My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to  
 8       my name.

9       I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed  
 10       below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the  
 11       subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention  
 12       identified above, entitled "Kernel-Mode Audio Processing Modules"

13       I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified  
 14       specification, including the claims.

15       I hereby claim benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of United States Provisional  
 16       Application 60/197,100, filed April 12, 2000.

17       I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to  
 18       patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a), including  
 19       any information which became available between the filing date of the prior  
 20       application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

21       PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS: no applications for foreign patents or  
 22       inventor's certificates have been filed prior to the date of execution of this  
 23       declaration.

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